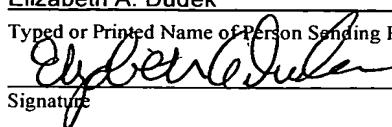


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Applicant submits herewith a Declaration and Power of Attorney and Appointment of Domestic Representative, in absence of a Notice of Missing Requirements and in absence of an Official Filing Receipt, and respectfully request the declaration be incorporated into and form part of the above-identified patent application as filed.

In view of this submission, Applicant believes that the application is now in compliance with 35 U.S.C. 371 and it is respectfully requested that an

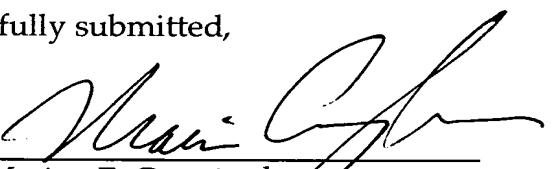
Official Filing Receipt and Notification of Acceptance of Application be issued in the present application.

Should any matter remain unresolved, Applicant requests the Examiner contact Applicant's representative at the phone number listed below

Applicant encloses a copy of the fee application transmittal filed May 13, 2005 indicating payment of the surcharge for late filing of Declaration. Any deficiency in the payment of this fee, may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 13-0235.

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